Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air a propagandistic anti-Kerry documentary is a blatant effort to influence a hotly contested national election, and a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Their abuse of this responsibility, for the second time in this elction year, shows why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.